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October Declared Breast Cancer Awareness Month in Monroe County

Monroe County Executive Maggie Brooks and Monroe County Legislator Mary Valerio (R/C – Chili) today issued a proclamation declaring the month of October as “Breast Cancer Awareness Month” in Monroe County.

“The most important message that we can deliver today is that early detection saves lives,” said Brooks. “During Breast Cancer Awareness Month, people across our community are coming together to educate, inform and advocate for the eradication of breast cancer. Together we can all make a difference.”

Valerio, who is a breast cancer survivor, talked about her experiences fighting the disease. “I think it is important for women who are diagnosed with breast cancer to understand how important it is for you to continue to be who you are,” said Valerio.

Brooks and Valerio also recognized the work done locally by the Rochester Breast Cancer Coalition. “Through their good work, they demonstrate how important public awareness of breast cancer is,” said Brooks.

Each year, 182,000 women are diagnosed with breast cancer and 43,300 women die from this disease. Almost everyone knows someone whose life has been affected by breast cancer, which is the leading cause of death among women ages 40-55.

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